



PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

Hisao YASUHARA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

Application No.: 09/865,468

Examiner: G. Cantelmo

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUSES FOR PRETREATMENT OF METAL SAMPLES

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Sir:

In reply to the attached October 6, 2003 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, the following is submitted:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.